

EMS TRAINING PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION MANUAL

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Title: EMS Provider Recertification Required		
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A. **Recertification Required** - Each individual holding EMS certification must recertify their credentials in order to continue to practice as an EMS provider in Virginia. Recertification of EMS credentials requires each individual to complete Continuing Education Program(s) approved by the Office and fulfill the recertification process specified in Section **T-220**. Continuing Education Programs will be assigned credit hours by the Office for each certification level as specified in Section **B** below.

1. Each provider is personally responsible for the accumulation and accurate timely reporting of continuing education program attendance to fulfill the requirements of Section **T-220** before expiration of an applicable certification or reentry period. Failure on the part of provider, other individuals or Course Coordinators to submit the necessary continuing education attendance records to the Office in a timely manner will not relieve the provider from these requirements nor be used as the sole grounds for seeking a "Variance" from state EMS regulations.

B. Continuing Education Requirements

1. The Office will determine the continuing education hour requirements for each certification level through consultation with the State EMS Advisory Board.
 - a. Listings of the continuing education credit hour requirements for each certification level will be published by the Office and be made available to each individual provider.
2. Continuing education hours may be obtained either in a single program or any number of separate courses meeting the hour requirements for recertification of the specified certification level.